ED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of Attv Dkt. 1417-348 C# M# RECEIVED TC 1700 IMAI et al oup Art Unit: 1754 Serial No. 09/840,878 Examiner: Johnson Filed: April 25, 2001 Date: June 19, 2003 IRON COMPOUND CATALYST FOR INHIBITING GENERATION OF DIOXIN AND Title: INCINERATION PROCESS OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE USING THE SAME

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

□ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) =\$ 18.00 0.00 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) =\$ 84.00 0.00 3 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$410.00/2 months; \$930.00/3 months) \$ 410.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$750.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered , filed □ Submission attached Subtotal \$ 410.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith \$ Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 0.00 Other: Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 of Matsui 0.00 **TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED** 410.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2003 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due April 24, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time is \$410 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now June 24, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.